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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN APPLICATION OF )  
SIGURD BUCHHOLZ, ET AL ) GROUP NO.: 1626  
SERIAL NO.: 10/538,995 ) CONFIRMATION NO.: 9453  
FILED: DECEMBER 20, 2005 ) EXAMINER: JOSEPH R. KOSACK  
TITLE: METHOD FOR THE )  
DECARBOXYLATION OF )  
DICARBOXTLIC ACIDS )

**RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sirs:

In response to the Office Action dated March 10, 2009 in the above identified application, it is respectfully requested that the presently claimed invention be reconsidered in view of the following amendments and remarks. Applicants, by the undersigned attorney, respectfully petition the Commissioner for Patents under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for filing this Response so that the Amendment and Response filed herewith will be considered timely filed. A Request for Continued Examination is also being submitted herewith.

**Claim Listing** begins on page 2 herein.

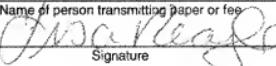
**Remarks** begin on page 4 herein.

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